

Claim 15, line 1, please delete "or 14"

Claim 16, line 2, please delete "or 14"

\* \* \* R E M A R K S \* \* \*

The above amendment to the claim removes the multiple dependency, and places the application into better form prior to examination.

Favorable action on the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

By

MICHAEL K. MUTTER

Reg. No. 29,680

P.O. Box 747

Falls Church, VA 22040-0747

(703) 205-8000

MKM/aam